

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. 10/588,841

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Title: CRANKSHAFT ARRANGEMENT AND STRUCTURAL PART FOR SAID
CRANKSHAFT ARRANGEMENT

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office action of February 5, 2010. Applicants elect Species (a) (FIGS. 1a-2l) for prosecution. Claims 1-6, 10 and 12-16 read on the elected species. Claims 1 and 10 are generic.

An action on the merits of claims 1-6, 10 and 12-16 is respectfully requested.

Regarding the information disclosure statements, it is not necessary for the Examiner to consider EP 1075402 because it corresponds to US 6491439, which has already been considered. Submitted herewith is a new information disclosure statement listing DE 2647510 along with a complete copy of this reference. Consideration of DE 2647510 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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